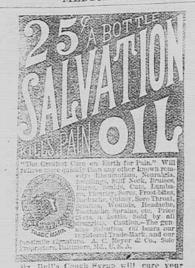
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To the editor of the Alexandria Gazette:

Withers and Johnston, and by Messrs. Bar-bour and other Virginia democrats in the slightest injustice; but if he did anything, near or remote, in our behalf, if he did not

are able to defend themselves on the stump and elsewhere, but his presentation of his gladly give him due credit, case, as against Mr. Barbour, does this gentleman an injustice, ic, at least, two particulars, and I desire, as a citizen of Alexandrie county, and as one thoroughly familiar with the "free bridge" fight of the last

the Potomac at Georgetown, is due wholly did he not ask me to subscribe to the Peto the zeal and ability of Mr. Barbour. The tersburg platform of 1882, which declares so called Riddleberger bill, which was defeated in the 48th Congress, but was revived and passed by the Senate in the 49th Congress, was without legal effect to attain and compel the erection of a bridge should ment, but as an ex-citizen of Obio-a State property owners refuse to sell to the government, until amended, and the amendment whereby a bridge could be compelled, not withstanding the efforts to prevent made by the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company and other parties in adverse interest, appears as the third section of the free bridge act approved June 21st, 1886. Mr. Riddleberger, from some inexplicable reason, refused to permit condemnatory powers to be given the government by his measure. I repeatedly called his attention in the 48th Congress to this fatal defect, and to the fact that the free bridge act of 1880 was a legal abor-tion, because of its failure to give the Secretary of War power to acquire property by con demnation, thereby enabling owners of need ed lands to thwart its direction to build us a bridge, but he invariably declined to accept my suggestions, and the bill was passed by the Senate precisely as dictated by him. Thanks to Mr. Barbour, the House refused in the 48th Congress to accept the bill in that form. It was again in the 49th Congress passed by the Senate unamended in this particular, and came over to the House committee, before which was House bill No. 2579, a still more obnexious bill, and which Mr. Barbour is charged by Sanator Mahone

as having permitted to die in committee. Here, through Mr. Barbour's firm stand that no bill should go out of his committee lacking condemnatory power, an amend-ment, authorizing condemnation if needs cach, for ront. be, was tacked upon it, and the bill so amended became a law; House bill No. 2579, of course, falling because of entire absence therein of provision for acquisition of property of any nature. I charge the act of 1880 with being a legal abortion, because, while it directed the Secretary of Warto build a bridge, it gave him no power to condemn, thereby putting him at the mercy of contumacious or avaricious land holders, one of whom, for instance, asserting owner-ship of the "Three Sisters Islands," at once filed a claim in the War Department for \$5,000 for their use for pier purposes. Beside this, the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal claimed ownership of a small portion of the ground on which the Georgetown abutment of the Aqueduct bridge stands, and refused to niienate, thus effectually estopping the gov-ernment from acquisition of that struc-

It is possible that these and other owners did not desire condemnatory powers given the government, as it is more than likely that a commission of disinterested citizens might not have awarded \$5,000,

or other amount, for their properties.

The ability of these unwilling owners to estop may be appreciated, if we remember that the government is at present unable to build the Eastern Brauch bridge in Wash-ington city, with the owners of lands affected willing to donate, though the inventive genius of the Attorney General's office has been en-deavoring for months to devise some means of enabling the Secretary of War to acquire the property needed for abutments etc., in the absence of express statutory provision. Under such circumstances Mr. Barbour

andria county. He at one stage asked me for my protest in writing, which I submitted, and he assured me that our prayer for an amendment rendering us independent of property owners, both on the District and Virginia sides of the Potomac, should be granted. The act of 1886, and the erecting of amegoificient bridge thereunder by the Sectoral Rendering of all kinds and is guaranteed from crazing. As Accuracy and promptness guaranteed. [se2 1m | a magnificient bridge thereunder by the Secretary of War at Georgetown prove how nice well he served us. We owe the bridge to his efforts in our behalf. But for these bis efforts in our behalf. But for these we would have been sufferers under the Riddleberger bill, or House bill No. 2579, if either had become a law without his amendment, just as we were under the pernicions act of 1880.

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andria county, Virginia, which as he states was refered. This prayed relief was for reimbursement of the county for moneys expended for freedmen on the Arlington estate. When the government bought this estate in 1864 it was withdrawn from our taxables, but the indigent feet of the county for moneys at taxables, but the indigent feet of the county for moneys at taxables, but the indigent feet of the county for moneys at taxables, but the indigent feet of the county for moneys at taxables, but the indigent feet of the county for moneys at taxables, but the indigent feet of the county for moneys at taxables, but the indigent feet of the county for moneys at taxables, but the indigent feet of the county for moneys at taxables, but the indigent feet of the county for moneys at taxables, but the indigent feet of the county feet of the county for moneys at taxables, and taxables are county. J. D. H. LUNT. taxables, but the indigent freedmen thereon Guns, Pistols, Shells, Primers, &c., of all kinds at 328 King street, wholesale and support and schooling costing us in some

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having it introduced, and never ty my knowledge, permitted any citizen of the county a conference with him in its behalf, nor took any steps to aid us in securing a PUBLISHED DAILY AND TRI-WEEKLY BY hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee. His endorsement, as much as his At the Gazette Building, 310 and 312 Prince st. subsequent indifference, throttled us. On the contrary Mr. Barbour, after introducing to pay taxes thereon, covered it with freed-men, collecting ever since rents from them as faithfully and religiously as a Shylock, compelled us to feed, clothe and school phone.
All communications should be addressed to "Gazette," them, refused us assistance even to the extent of an ambulance when small-pex broke Alexandria, Va.

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tent of an ambulance when small-pex broke out among them, and which involved us in the expense of nearly \$1,000 to stamp out the pest, and in everywise imposed upon us unjust and inequitable burdens. We, nat-urally, felt we were entitled to recognition, Senator Mahone's recent political manifesto institutes, and also invites, comparisons between the services rendered by himself white a U. S. Senator, and the services rendered by his predecessors, Senators

Withers and Lengther and he was a large of the services and relief. No man could have done more; we got absolutely nothing at the hands of our Senator, Gen. Mahone.

I do not want to do Senator Mahone the House.

With the subject matter generally of this paper I have nothing to do; those attacked designedly strangle us by his endorsement of "By Request," and worse, by refusal afterward to hear us, or to ask others to hear us, then I am in ignorance, and would most

As an old line whig, by heredity and education, and as a republican whose first vote was cast for Fremont and last for Blaine, I am, perhaps, in sympathy with Gen. Mahone in his aggressiveness against the democratic party, and thereby in political antagonism to Mr. Barbour. I certainly and the state of th I assert in most positive terms that the ical antagonism to Mr. Barbour. I certain-free bridge," now being constructed across ly would be in full accord with the General wholly did he not ask me to subscribe to the Period of 1882 which declares that the State bonds after adjustment of the State debt upon the Riddleberger basis shall be subject to general and local taxasupersensitive as to her debt and its inter est-I am unalterably opposed to the State of Virginia taxing the evidences—bonds—of her debt.

But if Mr. Barbour be a Bourbon, as is charged, his Bourbonism did not exhibit itself to me when a prayer for relief was made to him for a free bridge, or for re-im-bursement for moneys wrongfully wrung out of the tax payers of Alexandria county, by the government, for support and schooling of its wards—the freedmen saddled on the county through the Arlington estate with its freedman's village of war times. R. S. LACEY.

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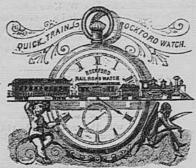
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